

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L LAGOS 6870

CAPETOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PORG, SF, WA  
SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: NIGERIAN CONTACT WITH SWAPO

REF: LAGOS 6281

1. DR. FAFOWARA, DEPUTY HEAD OF MEA'S AFRICA  
DEPARTMENT, TOLD CHARGE JUNE 2 THAT HE IS DEPARTING  
FOR LUSAKA AND LUANDA ON JUNE 5 ON HIS MISSION OF  
URGING SWAPO REPRESENTATIVES OT BE FORTHCOMING  
IN RRLATION TO THE CONTACT GROUP AND ITS PROPOSAL (REFTEL).

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2. CHARGE TOLD FAFOWARA THAT THE USG REMAINS GREATLY  
CONCERNED THAT THE ONLY OPPORTUNITY FOR BRINGING ABOUT  
A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE NAMIBIA QUESTION MAY  
SOON SLIP AWAY AND BE LOST FOREVER. HE POINTED OUT  
IN THIS REGARD THAT THE SAG MIGHT SOON TAKE STEPS TOWARDS  
THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN INTERNAL SETTLEMENT IN NAMIBIA  
AND THAT SOUTH AFRICAN NEWSPAPERS ARE ALREADY TALKING

ABOUT AN IMMINENT REGISTRATION OF VOTERS FOR ELECTIONS.

3. FAFOWARA COMMENTED THAT IT IS DIFFICULT TO INFLUENCE SWAPO THESE DAYS BECAUSE THEY THINK THE CASSINGA RAID PROVED THAT SOUTH AFRICA HAD NEVER BEEN SERIOUS IN ITS NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE CONTACT GROUP. CHARGE REPLIED THAT A CONCLUSIVE TEST OF THE SAG'S INTENTIONS WOULD ONLY COME IF SWAPO, AFTER MEETING WITH THE CONTACT GROUP AGAIN AND HEARING WHAT IT HAD TO SAY ABOUT WALVIS BAY, PUBLICLY ACCEPTED THE CONTACT GROUP PROPOSAL.

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